

FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS PROCUREMENT

Publications Exchanges with Red China

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1. USDA Library acquires 70 per cent through exchanges.
2. Much scientific information issued by universities, academies and societies. Hence not generally available through trade sources.
3. Now exchange with all countries except Red China, North Korea, North Viet Nam, Bulgaria, and East Germany.
4. Potential of significant information in Red China and East Germany - Agriculture, Botany, Entomology, Biochemistry, Soils, Irrigation, Nutrition, Animal Diseases, etc.
5. Difficulties in obtaining rulings - State Dept., Commerce Dept., Treasury Dept. Where is ultimate determination? Is it subject to modification and interpretation? Is it subject to change?
6. Exchange service for Land Grant Institutions.
7. Individual and Institutional Exchanges.
8. Will Office of International Exchanges handle publications for these countries?
9. How does the State Dept. determine when libraries are in positions of top diplomatic importance and when they are insignificant?